OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION 4515 N. 7th Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85013

Minutes of Meeting November 17, 1972

Present:

Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman

Mr. W. Roger Hafford, Vice Chairman

Mr. Robert A. Bledsoe, Member

Mr. F. Keith Benton, Member

The regular Commission meeting for the month of November, 1972 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the meeting of July 21, 1972 were approved as written.

Reports of Executive Secretary, Enforcement Section and Geology Section were accepted.

Approval was given for two out of state trips by the Executive Secretary; one to Albuquerque, New Mexico the latter part of November to attend a meeting concerning revamping of Navajo Indian leasing procedures and the other to attend a meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission December 3 to 5, 1972.

Executive Secretary introduced Mr. Lester M. Duckett, President of Petro-Well Data Libraries, Ltd., Denver, Colorado. Mr. Duckett advised that his company has compiled a microfilm library of pertinent records in the files of regulatory agencies from Canada down through southern Colorado and Utah. It is now their desire to film records in Arizona, New Mexico and West Texas. Large oil companies subscribe to the services offered by Petro-Well Data Libraries, Ltd.; smaller companies and individuals may purchase whatever information they desire.

Mr. Duckett proposed that in exchange for the Commission's permission to film the records in its files (which are public information), Petro-Well Data Libraries, Ltd. will give the Commission a complete set of the microfilm. All confidential files would be withheld by the Commission until such time as they become public information.

While special 3 mm machinery is required to utilize the microfilm, several states are using their sets for security, only. The State of Montana now has three sets of machinery and charges 25ϕ for each print, which helps to pay for the equipment and supplies.

Executive Secretary was instructed to contact the Attorney General

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concerning microfilm of records and, should the Attorney General approve *allow the microfilming to proceed at once. Mr. Duckett indicated that Petro-Well Data Libraries, Ltd. would contact the Corporation Commission concerning what was necessary for them to qualify to do business within the State of Arizona.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

APPROVED

Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman

* (Following phrase added 12-15-72:

. . . should the Attorney General approve

the letter agreement, allow the micro-

filming to proceed at once. . . .)